

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporate Finance 100 F Street NE Washington, DC 20549 Facsimile: (202) 772-9198 Attention: Suzanne Hayes Chris Edwards

VIA EDGAR

Re: Abeona Therapeutics Inc. (the "Company")
Registration Statement on Form S-1

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Dear Ms. Hayes:

Effective immediately, the undersigned hereby withdraws the amended Registration Statement on Form S-1.

Should you have any questions regarding this withdrawal, please do not hesitate to contact Jack Concannon of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP, counsel to the Company, at (617) 951-8874.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Stephen B. Thompson

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